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**Cc:** Wall, Dan[wall.dan@epa.gov]  
**From:** Schmittiel, Paula  
**Sent:** Thur 8/7/2014 10:00:42 PM  
**Subject:** RE: IA USGS Schmidt

Robin – We have a QAPP for the SW sampling work that includes the mini-sippers. The QAPP was prepared by EPA's ESAT contractor who is doing sampling and coordinates with USGS who is providing field assistance. The QAPP was approved by Dan Wall, Eco-toxicologist and DAO. There is an approved QMP with the ESAT contractor. If you need more information about the QAPP, please speak with Dan Wall since I will be out of the office at a conference after today until Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>.

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**From:** Coursen, Robin  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 07, 2014 3:52 PM  
**To:** Schmittiel, Paula  
**Cc:** Wharton, Steve  
**Subject:** FW: IA USGS Schmidt

Paula, this IA has no QAPP. You told me though that Dan Wall had a QAPP for minisippers. I don't know if you want to do this in this way or not. Is the QA going to foul things up? You can call me at Personal Phone/Ex. 6 if you like.

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**From:** Schmidt, Andrew  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 07, 2014 3:38 PM  
**To:** Coursen, Robin  
**Cc:** McKean, Deborah; Schmittiel, Paula; Vallejos, Cinna  
**Subject:** RE: IA

Hi Robin,

Steve Wharton just talked to me yesterday about the Upper Animas Site and the desire to potentially use the USGS through my IA to provide assistance on the project. Prior to yesterday, my last communications were with Paula. Paula had asked me about my IA with the USGS and I had sent her the SOW so that she could assess whether the work they needed could be done under the existing SOW. I had not heard from Paula since those communications, the last of which were on May 21<sup>st</sup>. As a result, until yesterday, I did not know that Paula was still interested in using my IA.

Based on my conversation with Steve, Paula would like the USGS to collect additional data. My IA is currently set up for technical assistance. Essentially, USGS provides me with technical support and most often assists me in reviewing documents that have been generated by others. The USGS does not generate new data. When the IA was created, my understanding was that I did not need a QAPP for technical assistance.

My IA does show up on IGMS Active. The most recent item is a change request on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. I will call the hotline (do you know the number?) and make you a delegate. I have to leave shortly

for a [Personal Matters/Ex. 6], but will be back in the office tomorrow (working remotely for the first half of the morning).

Thank you,

Andrew

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**From:** Coursen, Robin  
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**To:** Schmidt, Andrew  
**Subject:** IA

Hi Andrew, if we want to do this next IA without doing an exception form, we have to have it out on Monday. We will combine Cotter funding and Upper Animas for this effort. Does your IA have a QAPP in place for the Upper Animas work? I need to talk to you about some other QA questions too when you have the time. I am working at home today and tomorrow but we can get this amendment done if you can take the time. First I need you to go in and see if it shows up in IGMS active so that you can create a new amendment. If you ask the hotline to make me a

delegate I can fill in the boxes and then you can sign it. So get back to me when you can. Cinna checked with DC and you should be able to find it in the active IGMS. Call me if you want me to walk you there. Not sure how familiar you are with it. Personal Phone/Ex. 6

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